Friend for Life News

“Peer support programs for chronic disease have improved health outcomes, quality of life, and adherence to the treatment regimen. Additionally, they have the potential to help reduce costs in areas of high utilization, reduce health disparities, increase accessibility to healthcare services, and enhance community support services.”
~ National Peer Support Collaborative Learning Network (2014)

She said she was thankful for FFL to help connect her with someone who’s been there already so that she doesn’t worry her family with her concerns and fears.

You’re the frosting on the cupcake Nancy. Seeing it through your eyes is a different prospective... Thanks for helping me see a side that might help, laughter. I tend to take things seriously. ...LOL
~ Shirley, support seeker

My volunteer was WONDERFUL!! ...[she] was both inspiring and informative. She made me feel more confident about facing chemo. And that’s a BIG thing!!” ~ Carol, support seeker

Reading my original email took me back quickly to more desperate times. Friend for Life really helped me during that period. ~ Pam, support seeker

I am very grateful I was led to you thru a friend who cared enough to help. Your organization is awesome and I’m in hopes you can continue helping people for years to come. ~ Joan, support seeker

Having had my own cancer two years after [my wife’s] death and being my own advocate I feel I can lighten the darkness that comes with the helplessness of being a caregiver. Assisting in the world of cancer is where my soul is so please call upon me anytime. ~ Bruce, FFL volunteer

I am glad that I volunteer for FFL. It is one of the things that give my cancer journey a sense of purpose. ~ Elaine, FFL volunteer

Above: FFL volunteers Bob Gunter, Carolyn Thompson and Gail Gunter
A Year In Snapshots

From top left: FFL Volunteers who spoke about their cancer experiences with first year students at the University of Louisville Medical School; Holy Cross HS Juniors Dillon Smothers and Madison Turner who completed a service project with FFL; event keynote speaker Melissa Lucas Bailey, Tom and Quinn Bailey; newly trained volunteers with facilitator Barry Cecil; Board Members Jordan Bunch and Jason Howard with Jason’s son; volunteer Cheri Hauber threw out the first pitch at Strike Out Cancer!; Melissa Lucas Bailey and attendees at An Evening with Friends 2016.
Friend for Life Bramblette and Sandmann Awards 2016

These awards, named in honor of Friend for Life Cancer Support Network co-founders Phil Bramblette and Chuck Sandmann, were presented at An Evening with Friends. In addition, a new award honoring outstanding service as a FFL volunteer was named in memory of FFL volunteer Bobbi Marrs Daniels.

The Friend for Life Bramblette Award
for Outstanding Support by a Business or Corporation

The Friend for Life Sandmann Award
for Outstanding Support of an Individual or Family

The Bobbi Marrs Daniels Award
for Outstanding Service as a Friend for Life Volunteer

Patsy Catlett

Special thanks to FFL Volunteer Nina Fox, event photographer!
Mark your Calendars

Upcoming events to support and celebrate Friend for Life Cancer Support Network

Saturday, August 19, 5:30
11th annual *An Evening with Friends* at the Audubon Country Club

Thursday, September 14 (all day)
*Give for Good Louisville*

Monday, November 6, 5—10
Dine at *Le Moo*

The 2017-2018 Friend for Life Cancer Support Network Board of Directors and Staff

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In Grateful Remembrance

We treasure fond memories of these beloved volunteers who passed away since our last newsletter

Bill Cole
Roxie Doll
Terri Gordon
Susan Omer

John Reisert
Betty Reuther
Connie Renfrow
Sr. Barbara Jean Leubbehusen
Thank you to our Donors

In Honor of
Alicia Ellsworth
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All of My Friends Fighting Cancer
Jim and Kathy Jo Pullen
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Ben Armstrong
Beth A. Fangman
Audrey Pilkington
Robert Pilkington

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Alex Rohleder: Friend For Life is a wonderful organization doing great things to support cancer patients.
Amy Hamm: Let’s go, Friend for Life
Anna Jorayeva
Anne Spaulding
Arthur Kasey
Barbara Emilio
Barbara Nicholas, SL: I’m thinking of all the voices, all the texts, all those who walked into Friend for Life and found there what they didn’t even know they were looking for: a friend for life!
Blessings to you, all Volunteers, the Board, your families and friends!
Bart Bushong :-]
Benjamin Ruley: Friend for Life makes an amazing impact. I am giving to honor our amazing staff at Friend for Life who make it happen day after day!
Beth Stadler
Bijaya Shrestha
Blake Rosbury
Brady De Luca
Brandi Scott
Brittany Farris
Bryan Stearns
Carey Addison, Jr.
Charity Murphy
Cher Vercelli
Cheryl Tuggle: It is with great honor I give in hopes a cure will be found soon! In loving memory of my parents, family and friends who have lost their battles with this ugly disease and in honor of my sweet friend, Denise Urias, fighting her battle now.
Christine Ward
Christopher Brown
Cindy Schroeder: In honor of those fighting, surviving, and those who have lost the battle. And special love out to my BFLL Judy!!
Crystal Spellman: In honor of Rosemary Luksic
DeeAnna Oliver: Praying to "break the bank" tonight.
Denny Carr
Dorienne Varounis
Elizabeth Gramiak
Emily Cronin: I made a friend through this website which was very helpful!
Emily Howard
Esther Thornsberry
Evangelne Rich
Frank Grubbs: Keep up the good work.
Geneva Robinson: I am donating in honor of Nicole Wiseman, for all the caring, hard work she puts in every day to help others!!
Greg Friedmann
James Bushong
Jamie Studts: Go Judy and Nicole!
Jan Day
Jan Eastburn
Jason Howard
Jeff Rizzo
Jenna Bushong
Jeri Seidenfaden: So proud of what you do.
This is on memory of Bobbi Daniels and my mom, Marcella Moore.
Jessica Sullivan
Jim and Tina Harper
Jim Bennett: In memory of Patricia Bennett Ford
Jimmy Guffey
Jody Hurt
Joe McCormick: Keep up the good work!!
John Kasey
John Richardson: You were there for my Sister. I hope this helps. Love you guys!
Jordan Bunch
Joseph Parsons: I’m making this donation in memory of my grandmother and uncle, and in honor of all my family and friends who have been impacted by cancer in their lives.
Joshua Christensen
Jude Gallagher
Judie Sherman: Friend for Life is made up of men and women who devote precious time to helping those who've experienced the same cancer trauma. I wish I were in a position to give more.
Judy Kasey-Houlette: In honor of the Friend for Life Cancer Support Network Board of Directors and Volunteers
Kristen Blum
Kristi Hutchins: Thank you for your support and friendship as we both work toward assisting cancer patients!
Laura Mitchell: I am honored to give in support of Friend For Life!
Lauren King
Linda Bennett: In memory of my mother, Noreen Day.
Lori Bushong
Lydia Bond
Marian Lancaster: For all my amazing siblings! (all of us are cancer survivors)! <3
Martin Ray: So happy to support all the great work you do for cancer support.
Mason Wiseman
Matt Fravert
Matthew Brenner: You do great work
Michael Erskine: Friend for Life is AWESOME! They ask for a donation, and I say YES!!!
Michael Steele
Nancy Reynolds
Nicole Guffey Wiseman
Pamela Wiseman
Patricia Weldy: Hi Nicole!
Peter Robards
Phillip Meeks
Robert Meadows
Robin Brown
Roy Olpin: FFL y'all are the best - keep doing those great things only YOU can do for our grateful patients.
Samuel Locke
Sandra Rodgers
Sara O’Neil
Shelley Nally
Sowmya Iyer: Thank you for all you do.
Stephen Jecker
Steven Perkins: Good luck! Love, the Perkins Family
Sue Guffey
Susan Booth
Tazzie Bailey
Teresa Fisher
Vicki Blevins-Booth: I love this organization and the ladies who provide support to many in need of a listening heart- Cancer is scary- FFL helps remove the fear!
Vincent Johnson-Thacker

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Special Thanks to our Sponsors!

Thank you for the opportunity to know these women.
It is one of the most inspiring things in my life.
~ Lori, FFL volunteer
SAVE THE DATE!

An Evening with Friends 2017

An event to support the work and mission of Friend for Life Cancer Support Network

Saturday, August 19, 2017
Audubon Country Club, 3265 Robin Road, 40213
Doors open at 5:30

Keep up to date by visiting: www.friend4life.org/events; follow us on Facebook; send us an e-mail: staff@friend4life.org,